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Peter Van Voris et al.

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PEST ACCESS TO WOODEN  
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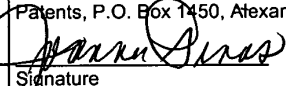
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
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Dear Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2003. With the enclosed petition for three-month extension of time, the period for response has been extended to August 26, 2003. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.